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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the Applicants' duty to disclose information which may be material to the examination of the above-identified application, the undersigned respectfully requests that the Examiner consider on the merits the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified) before issuing the first Office Action on the merits. We are enclosing herewith a copy of each document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449 (modified).

The documents listed on Form-1449 (modified) are those cited in the International Search Report (2 pages) of PCT Application No. PCT/ES99/00338. A copy of the International Search Report is enclosed herewith.

French Patent Document No. FR 2691465 Al is in French. English-language explanation of the relevance of French Patent Document No. FR 2691465 Al can be found in the enclosed International Search Report for PCT Application No. PCT/ES99/00338.

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issuance of a first Office Action on the merits and before the issuance of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance. Therefore, no official fees should be due; and this IDS should be considered on the merits. If this IDS is being submitted after the issuance of the first Office Action on the merits and before the issuance of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, then the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-0415 \$180.00 (or any other required amount), which is the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c); and this IDS should be fully considered on the merits, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d). If this IDS is being submitted after the issuance of a Final Rejection or Notice of Allowance, then the Commissioner is not authorized to charge \$180.00 to Deposit Account No. 12-0415.

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The person making this statement is the practitioner who signs below on the basis of information supplied by an individual associated with the filing and prosecution of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.56(c)) and on the basis of information in the practitioner's file.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to the "Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, p.C. 20231",

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Enclosures: Form PTO-1449 (modified) (1 page)

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